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HONGKONG, FRIDAY, 10TH MAY, 1873.

五拜 號十月五英 香港

[PRICE \$2⁵ PER MONTH]

Arrivals.

May 9, CANDAII, Ned. bz, 200; Campbell, Flago April 25th, 4,360 piculs Rice.— JARDINE, MATTHESON & Co.

May 9, PEGASUS, Brit. ship, 1,120, Jas. Ellis, Cardiff, 3rd December, 1,750 tons Coal.— ORDER.

May 9, ENTERPRISE, Siam, bz, 488, Lerser, Bangkok, April 5th, 12,300 piculs Rice.— CHINESE.

May 9, RACHEL, Brit. bark, 283, Birth, New-chwang 22nd April, 7,600 piculs Rice.— CHINESE.

May 9, JUPITER, North German ship, 1,150, Hausehild, Bangkok 25th March, 27,500 piculs Rice.— Wm. PESTAL & Co.

May 9, ORACO, North Ger. ship, 450, Boswall, Shanghai May 5th, 9,500 piculs Rice.— PAUL EHRLERS & Co.

May 10, GENTLEMAN, Brit. ship, 666, DUNER, Newport 13th November, Coals.— MESSAGERS MARITIMES.

Departures.

May 9, KWANTUNG, s/s, for East Coast.

May 9, GHENLIS, for Whampoa.

May 9, MATILDA, STEELING, for Saigon.

May 9, KATINKA, for Bangkok.

May 9, STRANFIELD, for Bangkok.

May 9, ORACO, s/s, for Canton.

May 9, NORNA, s/s, for Canton.

May 10, GODAVARY, s/s, for Yokohama.

Clearances.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE,
May 8th.
Kwantung, str., for East Coast.
Canton, str., for Shanghai.
China, str., for Shanghai.
Belled Wh., for Whampoa.

Passengers.

None.
The North German ship Jupiter reports left Hongkong on March 25th, and the whole of the passage light Easterly winds and calms.

The British bark Rachel reports left New-chwang on 22nd April, experienced light Easterly winds till near the Shantung Promontory, when N.E. winds to arrive.

The North German steamer Olago reports left Shanghai on May 5th, experienced fine weather throughout the passage.

The Ned. brig Candaii reports left Flago on 25th April, from the N.W. and N.E.; then fine N.E. winds from the N.W. and N.E.; and light winds from Pedro Blanca, with calm to arrival, May 9th.

Vessels that have Arrived in Europe from Ports in China, Japan and Manila.

(For last Month's adv'ts.)
Vessel's Name. From. Dates.

R. C. Wickens, ... Cardiff, Sept. 14.
Dr. Petermann, ... London, Sept. 26.
Martin Auguste, ... R. de Janeiro Nov. 10.
Swiftsure, ... London, Nov. 22.
Montana, ... Boston, Nov. 24.
Anne Marie, ... Glasgow, Dec. 1.
Stavros, ... New York, Dec. 14.
Mrs. Rickmers, ... Liverpool, Dec. 16.
Loren, ... Newcastle, Dec. 16.
Blackwall, ... Liverpool, Dec. 19.
Orms, ... London, Dec. 22.
Beacons, ... London, Dec. 22.
Swiftsure, ... Cardiff, Dec. 25.
Antipode, ... Liverpool, Dec. 28.
Mesan, ... Sunderland, Jan. 3.
Lemnatis, ... London, Jan. 3.
Morro Castle, ... New York, Jan. 4.
Heron, ... Liverpool, Jan. 6.
T. D. Marshall, ... London, Jan. 19.
G. C. Lear, ... New York, Jan. 19.
William Fringe, ... London, Jan. 20.
Creswell, ... London, Jan. 24.
Jesse Isobel, ... London, Jan. 26.
Hylton Castle, ... Sunderland, Jan. 26.
Earl Dalhousie, ... Penarth, Jan. 27.
Blackwall, ... Penarth, Jan. 27.
Imigrante, ... London, Jan. 28.
Mesan, ... Liverpool, Jan. 30.
Creswell, ... London, Jan. 30.
Hath, ... Sunderland, Feb. 3.
Clymena, ... Liverpool, Feb. 4.
Londesborough, ... London, Feb. 5.
Fair, ... Shields, Feb. 6.
Alexandrina, ... Penarth, Feb. 6.
Berenice, ... Penarth, Feb. 6.
Wm. Ritter, ... London, Feb. 12.
Philo, ... Sunderland, Feb. 13.
Cavaller, ... Liverpool, Feb. 14.
Abassador, ... Cardiff, Feb. 15.
Catoons, ... London, Feb. 17.
Everest, ... London, Feb. 20.
Plato, ... Sunderland, Feb. 20.
Warden Law, ... Sunderland, Feb. 29.
Maiden Queen, ... London, Feb. 21.
Western Chief, ... London, Feb. 21.
Dragon, ... London, Feb. 22.
Elias, ... Liverpool, Feb. 23.
Bent, ... London, Feb. 24.
Veritas, ... Cardiff, Feb. 24.
Monkrest, ... London, Feb. 26.
Albion, ... Penarth, Feb. 26.
Penarth, ... Cardiff, Feb. 26.
Guinevere, ... London, Feb. 1.
Tyndale, ... Penarth, Feb. 2.
Helen, ... Sunderland, Feb. 5.
Archos, ... Glasgow, Feb. 6.
Cymbeline, ... Cardiff, Feb. 6.
Creswell, ... Cardiff, Feb. 6.
Loebgall, ... Liverpool, Feb. 6.
Channel Light, ... Shire, Feb. 6.
Jane Sprout, ... Penarth, Feb. 7.
Irving, ... London, Feb. 10.
Laura & Gertrude, Penarth, Feb. 12.
Neat, ... Bristol, Feb. 13.
Sarah Watson, ... Sunderland, Feb. 14.
Florence, ... Cardiff, Feb. 15.
Kentville, ... Liverpool, Feb. 16.
D. Castle (s), ... Glasgow, Feb. 16.
Sea Gull (s), ... London, Feb. 18.
Sulphur, ... Newhaven, Feb. 18.
D. Castle (s), ... London, Feb. 19.
R. J. Robertson, ... Cardiff, Feb. 20.
Bordwan, ... London, Feb. 21.
Malvern, ... Newport, Feb. 21.
Preciosa, ... Cardiff, Feb. 22.
Yokohama, ... Cardiff, Feb. 22.
E. ... Cardiff, Feb. 23.
D. McK. Park, ... Sunderland, Feb. 23.
Londesborough, ... Penarth, Feb. 23.
Johanna, ... Cardiff, Feb. 23.
Achilles (s), ... Liverpool, Feb. 24.
Monte Rosa, ... Havre, Feb. 27.

Banks.

THE BANK OF CHINA.

CAPITAL—Rs. 2,500,000, in 25,000

Shares of Rs. 100 each;

Rs. 25 per Share payable in allotment,

and the remainder in such sum and

at such times as the Directors may

determine, but so that at least three

months' notice shall be given of every

call;

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Secretary to the Provisional Committee.

JAMES GILFILLAN, Esq.

of Hongkong, 26th November, 1871.

NOTICE.

THE Ocean Steamship Company being pro-

ected by open Publics of themselves is

prepared to accommodate shippers of com-

modities at the following premium, payment

in case of loss or damage being made

with the interest to be paid, as explained

above, 10 per cent. to the Shareholders.

Before any further division of Profits takes

place amongst the Shareholders, one-fourth

of the profit of the Company, shall be set aside

for the payment of the Premiums.

By order of the Provisional Committee,

J. GILFILLAN, Secretary,

of 868 Shanghai, 1st May, 1872.

NOTICE.

THE DEUTSCHE NATIONAL BANK

AT BREMEN.

THE CAPITAL OF THIS BANK IS

15,000,000 THALER, OR Rs. 22,500,000.

DIVIDED INTO

75,000 SHARES OF 200 THALER, OR Rs. 230 EACH,

OF WHICH ONE HALF, OR 37,500 SHARES,

REPRESENTING A CAPITAL OF

7,500,000 THALER,

HAVE BEEN ISSUED.

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Agents for the above Bank at this port

and Shanghai respectively, are prepared to

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OFFICE,

of the Bank at Bremen, direct, or payable at

London.

MELCHERS & Co.,

Hongkong.

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Shanghai.

of 485 Hongkong, 9th March, 1872.

NOTICE.

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CO. LTD.

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NOTICE.

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A. J. SMITH, Esq.

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JAMES GREGG, Chief Manager.

Office of T. D. REED, Esq.

1st floor, 10th May, 1872.

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HONGKONG AND CHINA BANK

COMPANY, LIMITED.

DURING the temporary absence of the

undersigned, W. H. D. REED, Esq.,

has been appointed Acting Manager.

A. NEWTON,

Manager,

of 561 Hongkong, 22nd March, 1872.

NOTICE.

FOR SALE.

Just landed, ex "Discoverer" at Hamburg,

A SMALL Invoice of Tread-McLaren's

Aromatic Antiseptic, HITTERS,

particularly adapted and appropriate for Tropical

The Chronicle and Directory for 1872.
NOW READY.

THIS Work, now in the TENTH year of its existence, is ready for delivery. It has been well edited and printed at the Daily Press Office, on paper from the best and most authentic sources, and no pains have been spared to make the work complete in all respects.

In addition to the usual varied and voluminous information, the value of the CHRONICLE AND DIRECTORY FOR 1872 will be further augmented by the addition of a Chromo-lithograph plate of the NEW CODE OF SIGNALS IN USE AT THE PEAK;

also of
THE VARIOUS HOUSE FLAGS.
(Designed expressly for this Work);
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and of the

THE COAST OF CHINA;
besides other local information and statistics referred to date of publication, tending to make this work in every way suitable for Public, Mercantile, and General Offices.

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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, MAY 10TH, 1872.

"WILFUL murder against some person or persons unknown," was the verdict returned by a Coroner's Jury, which recently sat on the dead body of a Chinese woman that was lifted out of the harbour a few days since, and the circumstances, so far as disclosed, fully warranted this finding. In fact, from the evidence adduced at the inquest, no other verdict could well have been rendered.

This case differs from many of those where the dead bodies are simply found, without anything to indicate even the possible circumstances attending death, and in which a burial takes place with or without an inquest, according to circumstances.

Here we have ample evidence of the Commission of a most deliberate murder. The body is found with a rope tied round its neck, and the end of the rope attached to a rattan strap, to which is fastened a stone evidently fixed for the purpose of keeping the body under water. The rope used appears to have been fastened to the rattan strap by a seaman's knot, which the police-man who found the body called a "garrack bend," and he never knew a Chinaman to make a knot like it. Beyond this, little is known, and the probabilities are against any clue being obtained to the perpetrators of the crime that might lead to their being brought to justice.

As before stated, this case differs from many others, from the circumstance of the evidence being so clear as to leave no doubt of a murder having been committed.

The Coroner's resurces for last year accounted for 50 dead bodies that had been found in the harbour, all of which were buried without inquest. In addition to these fifty, none of which were identified, were eight that were identified, and ninety picked up on shore, twenty-two of which were known, and sixty-eight unknown, giving a total of 148 dead bodies found, on which no inquest was held. From the note prefaced to this return by the Coroner, it is fair to assume that the cause of death has been satisfactorily accounted for in many of these cases. But how many of these cases were there in which "there is no evidence of any kind whatever," and in which from the advanced state of decomposition of the body, any marks of violence originally left may have been quite obliterated by the "natural process of decomposition?"

This is a question much more easy to pose than to satisfactorily answer, still it refers to a subject deserving the most serious consideration, as 148 burials without inquest, in the circumstances given in one year, appear a large number in proportion to our population. Not having before us the Coroner's returns for previous years, we are unable to make a comparison between those already referred to, and the ones of previous years. We have been informed, however, that the duties of Coroner have increased of late years; and, as it may be presumed, there is something like a fixed proportion between the cases discovered and those not discovered; there is good reason to believe that the evil to which we drew attention has also been on the increase.

As will be seen by an announcement elsewhere, it has been finally decided to publish the proposed new edition of the CHRONICLE AND DIRECTORY for 1872, with the head office in London, and the preliminaries being thus settled, the time for application for shares is fixed to the 1st August this year.

Really our esteemed contemporary, the *Advertiser*, is very absurd in its remarks on Mr. Costeker. So far from that gentleman having for a moment suggested that slave labour should be employed by the Company he is connected with, he merely spoke of the rights conferred by the Chinese Government, and the Chinese Government, in this connection, is the only one that has any right to be concerned.

Defendants said the bottle of *sampan* was brought into their boat by a *lukong*, to bring a false charge against them.

Lukong *Kua-lun*, No. 189, came into Court, and he was pointed out as the man who put the bottle into their boat. Defendant also accused the *lukong* of taking from them five *shins*, and his *defence* was disbelieved by this *lukong*, and the *defence* was disbelieved by the *lukong*.

Sergeant O'Brien charged two hawkers of *sampan* with carrying on their unlawful traffic in the harbor in small boats. Complaint was made that the defendants pulled from the bows of different ships in the harbor; he gave *chong-kook*, and the *defence* was disbelieved by the *lukong*, and the *defence* was disbelieved by the *lukong*.

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Defendants were sent to one month's hard labor each, and to each find security in one household, or \$50 each, for six months, and their *defence* was disbelieved.

Sergeant O'Brien charged two *mao* boatmen with the same offence, stating they would not stop when pulled.

The Inquest on the body of the seaman belonging to the *Geelong* was proceeded with yesterday, and after some further evidence had been taken, was again adjourned.

Among the passengers by the French mail, which arrived yesterday, were H. E. Count Geoffrey, the new French Minister to Pekin, and Madame Geoffrey. Their names were inserted on the passenger list, but merely as M. and Mme. Geoffrey, and we consequently omitted to note His Excellency's arrival yesterday morning.

We have received a copy of the *Shanghai Post*, which falls in with the description of this new publication. The articles are all very cleverly executed and the reading matter, if not quite up to the standard of previous numbers, is still good and well worth perusal. We give on the fourth page an extract which ought to be of local interest, but Miss Gipple seems rather to describe her journey to Hongkong than her experiences in the Model Colony itself.

Last night, on the Canton steamer, came alongside the wharf, a Chinese merchant fell overboard, and was lost in the water, clinging to some iron. A Chinaman jumped over after him, but came out again frightened, and would not go under the bottom of the steamer. P. C. George, Hampshire, No. 34, pulled in with his boat at the time, and ascertaining the facts, immediately jumped overboard, and dived under her bottom, clothes and all on, and brought him to the surface. The Chinese merchant was taken to his own home by the constable, and the Chinaman and the *defendant* were ever, and when informed of what a narrow escape or his life had had, that he was saved by a European constable when his own countrymen were afraid, and how said constable had spoiled his \$30 silver watch in diving for him, this noble minded merchant sumptuously to a well-filled money safe, and tendered \$1 to a *lukong* to give to the constable so get his watch dented, but said \$1 was deposited with the *lukong*.

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SHIPPING REPORTS.

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The British ship *Pegasus* reports left Cardiff on 3rd December, had fresh Easterly winds to the Equator, crossed 25th December, in long. 25° W., from 1.30 N., had S.E. trades to 11 S., then variable winds to 37 S., passed the meridian of the Cape of Good Hope, 21st January, 35° S., then S.E. trades and easterly winds, 36° S., then N.E. trades and easterly winds, 36° S., February 27th; from thence to Sunda Straits moderate and light winds; made Portus Island on March 25th, then Southerly winds up to Straits of Bantam on Mar. 28th; from thence light Easterly winds till arrival. The captain went ashore at St. Paul's and brought intelligence of the loss of an ice ship, bound to Hongkong. Spoke the ship *Glenearn*, from Mauritius to London, in lat. 21.8 N., long. 24.6 W., and *Cora Linn*, from Cardiff to Aden, in lat. 33.32 S., long. 54.8 W., and *Remington*, from Liverpool to Rangoon, in lat. 33.32 S., long. 54.8 W.

OVER-EXERTION.

The Municipal report on the health of Shanghai contains the following remarks with reference to over-exercise, which are interesting in Hongkong and the other ports in China as well as in Shanghai:

ANEURISM.—Sudden deaths have occurred among foreigners, alternating frequently during the last half of the past year. As three of these were ascertained to have been caused by the rupture of the large vessel leading from the heart, while at least two were ascertained to have been determined by the same or a similar cause, and as moreover such events in a small community like that of Shanghai necessarily attract much public attention, I think it will scarcely be deemed out of place if I say a few words here as to these effects generally, from a Health Officer's point of view.

The predisposing causes of Aneurism are confessedly obscure, but speaking generally they are such disease or condition of body as lead to degeneration of the coats of the blood vessels. Aneurism is thus commonly described as a disease of advanced life, but it is also found among those whose constitutions have suffered from the effects of intemperance, &c. When occurring in youth, it is often the result of an undue and unnatural application to the training of divers on board ship. Hitherto only gunners have been taught diving, and in such case as that of the *Megara*, the men who would be sent to examine the ship's bottom would not possess the technical knowledge necessary either to understand the nature of the accident or to repair it. For a similar reason, probably, the present training of officers appears primarily adapted to fit them for their career on land, with less on board ship. It is to be hoped that scientific knowledge in which the durability of their future service must mainly depend. Mr. Goschen proposes to modify the system from its foundations. Instead of boys being admitted at 13, they will in future have the ordinary education of English youths for the age of 15, and we are happy to see that Mr. Goschen designs by such modification of competition to "tame" as he expresses it, the Public Schools. No greater improvement could be introduced into the competition, and the public would be rendered much more amenable to the influence of scientific knowledge.

It is to be hoped that the public would render our great Schools, instead of examining establishments, the easiest

means of obtaining a sudden gain to the vessels, which they are at some point not strong enough to resist. It is then, I think the young men are not all sufficiently careful to preserve the vigour of body, in the possession of which alone, active athletic exercise can be undertaken with safety, and they do not sufficiently bear in mind that close application to the desk during the entire day, and late hours spent at table, screen the mind of man for the new knowledge of the world, and of the English language. The many advantages to be derived from exercises, even from those forms which thoroughly test bodily vigour, are sufficiently obvious; but for the man untaught by previous training, or unaccustomed to exertion, the more violent forms are certainly unsuitable, and if undertaken, will not unfrequently lay the foundations for future disease, or may even at the time inflict serious injury upon the organs of circulation. These general truths have a special application in Shanghai, where, beyond a doubt, the European contribution suffers of a loss of what is termed both popularly and medically "tone."

M. DE LAVELEYE ON THE "ALABAMA" ARBITRATION.

M. de Laveleye has contributed to the *Independence* an important paper with reference to the American claims for indirect damages. His point of view is the one from which a neutral State may be disposed to regard the matter, and it is enough to put in a very strong light the extravagance of the American pretensions. The Americans, he says, claim half the expenses of their war from England because of the escape of their two vessels to the United States. How could the two many advantages be derived from exercises, even from those forms which thoroughly test bodily vigour, are sufficiently obvious; but for the man untaught by previous training, or unaccustomed to exertion, the more violent forms are certainly unsuitable, and if undertaken, will not unfrequently lay the foundations for future disease, or may even at the time inflict serious injury upon the organs of circulation. These general truths have a special application in Shanghai, where, beyond a doubt, the European contribution suffers of a loss of what is termed both popularly and medically "tone."

Lady Charles Innes Ker has so far recovered from the effects of the late accident in the hunting field as to bear the fatigue of removal to her town residence at Rutland-gate.

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

May 10th, MORNING.

Patna, New, \$550 to \$655, cash and credit; New Old, \$645 to \$655, cash and credit; New Bazaar, \$637 to \$642; Old Bazaar, \$620 to \$625. Market, quiet for all kinds. Malwa, \$620 to \$625.

SHARES.

Hongkong Bank Shares, Old—63 per cent. premium.

Hongkong Bank Shares, New—61 per cent. premium.

Union Insurance Society of Canton, new issues \$1,400 per share premium.

China Traders' Insurance Company's Shares—\$1,450 per share premium.

China and Japan Marine Insurance—\$1,450 per share premium.

Chinese Insurance Company—\$115 per share premium.

Hongkong Fire Insurance Company's Shares—\$317 per share premium.

China Fire Insurance Company's Shares—\$55 per share premium.

Victoria Fire Insurance Company's Shares—\$50 per share premium.

Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company's Shares—\$32 per cent. discount.

Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Co.'s Shares—\$32 per cent. premium.

Hongkong Distillery Company—par, nominal.

Indo-Chinese Sugar Company—\$40 per share discount.

Hongkong Pier and Godown Company—\$15 per share, discount.

EXCHANGE.

On LONDON.—Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight, 4/5

Do. Do. Do. Fortnightly, 4/5

Do. Do. Do. Bi-monthly, 4/5

Do. Do. Do. Monthly, 4/5

Do. Bills on demand, 4/5

On NEW YORK.—Private, 5 months' sight, —

Do. Do. Do. 3 days' sight, 2/5

On CALCUTTA.—Bank, 3 days' sight, 2/5

On SHANGHAI.—Bank, 3 days' sight, 7/2

Bank, 15 days' sight, 7/2

Private, 30 days' sight, 5/3

SALES OF MAY 9TH, 1872.

As reported by Chinese.

Kim Rice, 1st quality, 500 piculs, at \$2.46,

by Yuen-fai to Hongkong merchant.

Soiago Rice, 2,000 piculs, at \$2.32, by Ye-

chong to Hongkong merchant.

Mushrooms, 50 cases, at \$25.50, by Kung-

fook-wo to travelling merchant.

White Wax, 3 pieces, at \$82.50, by Kung-

fook-wo to travelling merchant.

Ingots, 50 cases, at \$24.00, by Fook-wo to

travelling merchant.

Black Beans, 500 piculs, at \$2.08, by Kung-

fook-wo to travelling merchant.

Onions, 100 packages, at \$1.24,

by Yuen-fai to travelling merchant.

Kerosene, 100 bags, at \$1.25, by Kung-fook-

wo to travelling merchant.

Green Peas, 200 piculs, at \$2.00, by Kung-

fook-wo to travelling merchant.

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It comprises upwards of two thousand large

quart packages.

W. A. R. N. M. D. C. O. L. L. I. N. S.

DENTIST.

7, ABUTHNOT ROAD,

HONGKONG.

of 231, Hongkong, 2nd February, 1872.

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Extracts.

On examination of the series of monsters, in the "Nuremberg Chronicle," there is one point which can hardly fail to strike anyone who has some smattering of physiology, and has taken some interest in ethnology. They are all very odd, not to say ludicrous. There is very little invention about them, nothing is singular, than the notion of various members of the body; so that the headless men, the two-headed men, the one-eyed men, and many-eyed men, the six-handed men, the big footed men, the long-necked men, the large-eared men, and the flap-lipped men, are all offshoots of a single idea. Then all the composite monsters are but offshoots of the same single idea of grafting parts of other animals upon the human form, and there is really but little invention required in carrying it out. You may boldly take two bodies together, as the Centaur, the harpy, and the mermaid; or you may take parts of one body, to another, as the salver, with his goat's legs, the fawn, with his pointed ears and little tuft of a tail, or the man, with his horns or his head. Again, several of these monsters are nothing but exaggerations of actual fact. It has long been suspected that the aborigines knew more of the world, than had generally been supposed, and this idea is strengthened by examining the monsters of the "Nuremberg Chronicle." Take, for example, the man with the enormous, under-his-eye. It is highly probable that the idea was taken from the narration of some traveller, who had seen one of the many savage tribes which infest their lips, either upper or lower, by the insertion of circular pieces of wood in them. The long-eared men can be accounted for in a similar manner. All ethnologists know that there are many tribes which measure their gentility by the length of their ears, and by cutting holes in their lobes, and having weights to them, succeed at last in getting them to hang down on the shoulders, just as is represented in the Pannoph. As to the nation of pygmies, we all know of several tribes or nations that may very fairly be called by that name; and although they are not so very small as is represented in the woodcut, they are yet so small that when standing by the side of a European of middle stature, the grown men and women seem scarcely bigger than children of nine or ten. The many-armed monster is evidently borrowed from the Indian temples, which are covered with statues of various deities, scarcely any of which conduce to have less than eight arms. The two-headed monster is due to the same source.

Indeed, in actual nature, and to be found almost every instance of monstrosity, which the medieval mind could invent, and plants besides, which would throw these two-headed monsters entirely into the shade. For example, the Monkouchi, or one-eyed men, are represented by a wonderful number of the tiny crustacea, called *Calanoidae*, many of which are remarkable for having a single eye placed in the midst of that part of the body which does duty for a head, and which are consequently called by the appropriate names of Cyclops, Polypheus, and so on. As to the many-eyed men, they are entirely outdone by the insects, some of which have more than thirty thousand eyes—a fact which infinitely exceeds the imagination of the old writers and artists. The men with their faces in their breasts are represented by the crabs, lobsters, shrimps, and their kin, all of which have their mouths set exactly in the situation in which the old artist has placed the mouth of his headless man. Then the unipede are far outdone by many of the molluscs, whose body may be characterised as a large foot, carrying a comparatively small body on it. In the "Nuremberg Chronicle" the unipede is figured as using his foot as an umbrella, but neither artist nor author would have dared to describe him as using his foot in the light of a lamp. Yet this is actually done by many river snails, whole fleets of which may be seen floating leisurely down the stream, the large foot being hollowed along the centre, and acting as a boat. There is no need to multiply instances, but we may receive it as an axiom that there exist in nature monsters for more wonderful than any exertion of the artist's imagination. *"Du Motier,"* by the Rev. J. G. Wood, from "The Dark Blue."

Intercepted Letters.

(*Shanghai Puck*)
No. 4.
Miss *Gina* takes a trip to Hongkong for the benefit of her Health.

Where I attempt a Description, my Dearest Jenifa, of the many Scenes of Religious Discourse and Pastoral Existence, in which your *Juliana* has lately been an Actor, I should indeed task you patriotic to a degree. *Bawdlerian* on the *Image*. Night after night, my Dear, have I been shinin' with the sparklin' Thru' until the very *Cure* has come out of my Back hair, and for full a Month it has been the Dead of Mid-night, and I have been permitted that the *Crown* of which—the principal feature is a Pillar as hard as a Kerbstone. The last time I wrote was to tell you of some of my charming acquaintances in Society. The ladies are all Sweetness, and Girlish Bovine. Since then, we have made other and more literary acquaintances. Only the other evening we assisted at a Literary and Scientific Conversation at the Rural abode of General Macneugan, who though short in stature possesses a Sole big enough for a President. He is a most liberal-minded man, and though a Rapid Republican, as the saying is, overcomes his prejudices so far as to entertain Bishops and Bishops, and Knights, if they are only *Scientifick*, wile on one occasion, years ago, he actually endeavoured to be introduced to the Prince Consort. Then we have visited the Band upon the Recreation Ground, which would be very Delightful if it were not always Pitch Dark; and altogether such as bever the strain upon my Nervous System, that a week ago my Medical Man commanded me to take a voyage to Hongkong without an *Instant's* Delay.

Fancy then your *Juliana*, with her Pore face all Swollen and Red from the Crowd heat, and Sift from the rollin' of the ocean waves, meekly attempting to write with Cuss and Savers flyin' all about her ears, and the Inhabitants spittin' every two Dips. *Mama* and Me received much attention from our fellow-passengers, only at meals nobody ever says a word except the *Stuarts*, who are always to their taste. *Juliana*, the title of *King*, being perfectly aware that the Royalists would never accept a *reign* as *King*. Of Marvellous sagacity and penetration, he was rarely deceived in his judgment of men, and always used them, where he could, as instruments in furthering his designs. A profound dissembler, and fully capable of using religion as a mask, had it been needful to do so, it can scarcely be doubted that he was really religious; though few entirely believed in the sincerity of his religious professions. *Cromwell's* character is full of striking contrasts. Abhorred by his enemies, he had multitudes of devoted friends. *For* his memory was exonerated. In latter days somewhat more than justice has been done him. The great crime he committed has never been pardoned will never be purloined. The stain of blood cannot be washed out. As to his high military genius, all are agreed. Among great commanders he stands foremost. And he would rank among the greatest of men, if his crimes did not overshadow his virtues. *From "Bacchus," in Collier's New Monthly Magazine.*

I slept in the next cabin to my *Mamma*, as is a woman of full habit requires room. *Wain* coincided all my little operations I was on the point of gettin' into Bed, when I heard her sing out: "Juliana, my dear! O good gracious me, drat the thing, say! *Juliana!*"—Comin', comin', me precious! said I, and out I flies in my *shimmying* den, protected by the Obscurity!—"What is it, me dear; feel a little sick?" *Juliana*—sars one my man, quite solum—she is there! I should like to know; and that is where I am. I can sleep this night." "Sleep?" I replies, "why in your Birth, I spouse; why not?" *Juliana*—says that sufferin' woman! "It's impossible; I can't so much as get into it. No jest you look at that matrix; fifteen inches across at the outside, and me five feet three round the Bustle. If I'm a quarter" "Mother," says I with a earnestness Worthy of a Cornelius, "it must be gone. Once in

you'll be wedged comfortable for the night; so hoist, your dear! Back up—so gently now, help me to shake you down secure."

"All well, *Juliana*, says *Mamma* from the interior of her *shimmying* Nightcap; but now I'm in I don't see how in this World I'm ever to get out again. It feels as though I was just nicely hooked between the eloquence of a Lobster." "Rely upon me to Extricate you in the Mornin', my beloved Parent," says I; and then after performing this act of *Filibus* *Davotion* I retired with a contented wind to my Birth.

Well, that night it blue fearful, and the waves rolled mountin' high. Bravely did the Noble Barque built with the elements, but my sufferin' was most Akeert, the inward sensations bein' even more Agonizin' than the outward pangs pardoned by that Aweful *Panerib*. I held on tight for all the World like Green Death, when suddenly come a Fearful Noise! The chest cast caused me to spring out of Bed! As I had been shot, I a-criash—a Bump—a sound of Rushin' waters and a succession of piercein' bolts told my coverin' Solo that our last hour was indeed come. "I'm a-comin', I'm a-comin' mamma," screamed I, waitin' one moment, and a shock it was as met my eye! Shunted out of her berth like a oastpol, and wrishin' on the Fly up to her Knees in water, lay a lucky Wain, a Master to her own Greatness. "We're lost," cries she, "the ship has knocked a hole in herself and the water is comin' in fit to drown us all." "Knick! a hole!" ejaculated I, as my Mother's cabin, and ah! waitin' one moment, and you may take parts of one body to another, as the salver, with his goin's leet, the fawn, with his pointed ears and little tuft of a tail, or the man, with his horns or his head. Again, several of these monsters are nothing but exaggerations of actual fact. It has long been suspected that the aborigines knew more of the world, than had generally been supposed, and this idea is strengthened by examining the monsters of the "Nuremberg Chronicle." Take, for example, the man with the enormous, under-his-eye. It is highly probable that the idea was taken from the narration of some traveller, who had seen one of the many savage tribes which infest their lips, either upper or lower, by the insertion of circular pieces of wood in them. The long-eared men can be accounted for in a similar manner. All ethnologists know that there are many tribes which measure their gentility by the length of their ears, and by cutting holes in their lobes, and having weights to them, succeed at last in getting them to hang down on the shoulders, just as is represented in the Pannoph. As to the nation of pygmies, we all know of several tribes or nations that may very fairly be called by that name; and although they are not so very small as is represented in the woodcut, they are yet so small that when standing by the side of a European of middle stature, the grown men and women seem scarcely bigger than children of nine or ten. The many-armed monster is evidently borrowed from the Indian temples, which are covered with statues of various deities, scarcely any of which conduce to have less than eight arms. The two-headed monster is due to the same source.

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